

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (amended) A signaling device, comprising:
  - a balloon element having a substantially flat center portion and an inflatable peripheral edge, and an inflatable center channel;
  - an inflation valve assembly connected to said peripheral edge and center channel;
  - a canister containing compressed gas connected to said inflation valve assembly; and
  - wherein said gas is expelled into said peripheral edge upon activation to allow the device to open up to the shape of the signal.
2. (cancelled)
3. (cancelled)
4. (original) A signaling device as defined in claim 1, wherein said center portion includes a first and second member and said first and second member form a pocket capable of holding an object.
5. (original) A signaling device as defined in claim 4, wherein said object includes an anchor connected to an anchor line on one end and said anchor line is connected to one of said first and second members on a second end.
6. (original) A signaling device as defined in claim 4, wherein said pocket further includes a closure element.
7. (cancelled)
8. (original) A signaling device as defined in claim 1, wherein said activation is by release of a pin.

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9. (original) A signaling device as defined in claim 1, wherein said activation is by a water pressure switch.
10. (new) A signaling device as defined in claim 1, wherein said device is constructed using a color highly visible from great distances.
11. (new) A signaling device as defined in claim 9, wherein said color is international orange.

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